

of the public health and safety and common defense and security of the United States.

(3) NEP shall provide the Director of the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation a copy of any application, at the time it is filed, to transfer (excluding grants of security interests or liens) from NEP to its direct or indirect parent, or to any other affiliated company, facilities for the production, transmission, or distribution of electric energy having a depreciated book value exceeding ten percent (10 percent) of NEP's consolidated net utility plant, as recorded on its books of account.

(4) Should the proposed merger not be completed by December 30, 2000, this Order shall become null and void, provided however, upon application and for good cause shown, such date may be extended.

This Order is effective upon issuance.

For further details with respect to this Order, see the initial application dated March 15, 1999, and the supplements dated May 20 and June 17, 1999, and the safety evaluation dated December 10, 1999, which are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC, and accessible electronically through the ADAMS Public Electronic Reading Room link at the NRC Web site <http://www.nrc.gov>.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 10th day of December 1999.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**Roy P. Zimmerman,**

*Acting Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.*

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## OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

### Recommendations From the Metropolitan Area Standards Review Committee to the Office of Management and Budget Concerning Changes to the Standards for Defining Metropolitan Areas

**AGENCY:** Executive Office of the President, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice extending comment period.

**SUMMARY:** On October 20, 1999, OMB published a Notice (64 FR 56628-56644) requesting comments on recommendations that it had received from the Metropolitan Area Standards Review Committee (MASRC) for

changes to OMB's metropolitan area standards. By this Notice, OMB is extending the time period for public comment from December 20, 1999 to December 30, 1999.

**DATES:** To ensure consideration during the final decision making process, written comments must be received no later than December 30, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments on the recommendations should be submitted to James D. Fitzsimmons, U.S. Bureau of the Census, IPC-Population Division, Washington, DC 20233-8860; fax (301) 457-3034.

**Electronic Data Availability:** This **Federal Register** Notice and the October 20, 1999 Notice are available electronically from the OMB home page: <<<http://www.whitehouse.gov/OMB/fedreg/index.html>>>. **Federal Register** Notices also are available electronically from the U.S. Government Printing Office web site: <<[http://www.access.gpo.gov/su\\_docs/aces/aces140.html](http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/aces/aces140.html)>>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** James D. Fitzsimmons, Chair, Metropolitan Area Standards Review Committee, (301) 457-2419; or E-mail <<[pop.frquestion@ccmail.census.gov](mailto:pop.frquestion@ccmail.census.gov)>>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On October 20, 1999, OMB published a Notice (64 FR 56628-56644) requesting comments on recommendations that it had received from the Metropolitan Area Standards Review Committee (MASRC) for changes to OMB's metropolitan area standards. MASRC's report and recommendations were published in their entirety in that Notice. To allow additional time for public comment, OMB is extending the comment period on the recommended standards from December 20, 1999 to December 30, 1999. The final standards will be published prior to Census 2000.

**John T. Spotila,**

*Administrator, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs.*

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## POSTAL SERVICE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

### Sunshine Act Meeting

**TIMES AND DATES:** 1 p.m., Monday, January 10, 2000; 8:30 a.m., Tuesday, January 11, 2000.

**PLACE:** Washington, D.C., at U.S. Postal Service Headquarters, 475 L'Enfant Plaza, S.W., in the Benjamin Franklin Room.

**STATUS:** January 10 (Closed); January 11 (Open).

## MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

*Monday, January 10—1 p.m. (Closed)*

1. Rate Case Briefing.
2. Financial Performance—FY 2000, Accounting Period 3 Results.
3. Personnel Matters.
4. Compensation Issues.

*Tuesday, January 11—8:30 a.m. (Open)*

1. Minutes of the Previous Meeting, December 6-7, 1999.
2. Remarks of the Postmaster General/Chief Executive Officer.
3. Consideration of Board Resolution on Capital Funding.
4. Annual Report on Government in the Sunshine Act Compliance.
5. Capital Investment.
  - a. Singulate, Scan, Induction Units.
6. Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Board of Governors.
7. Tentative Agenda for the February 7-8, 2000, meeting in Miami, Florida.

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Thomas J. Koerber, Secretary of the Board, U.S. Postal Service, 475 L'Enfant Plaza, SW, Washington, DC 20260-1000. Telephone (202) 268-4800.

**Thomas J. Koerber,**

*Secretary.*

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## RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

### Agency Forms Submitted for OMB Review

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) has submitted the following proposal(s) for the collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget for review and approval.

#### Summary of Proposal(s)

- (1) *Collection title:* Employee's Certification.
- (2) *Form(s) submitted:* G-346.
- (3) *OMB Number:* 3220-0140.
- (4) *Expiration date of current OMB clearance:* 2/29/2000.
- (5) *Type of request:* Extension of a currently approved collection.
- (6) *Respondents:* Program planning or management.
- (7) *Estimated annual number of respondents:* 5,400.
- (8) *Total annual responses:* 5,400.
- (9) *Total annual reporting hours:* 450.
- (10) *Collection description:* Under Section 2 of the Railroad Retirement Act, spouses of retired railroad employees may be entitled to an annuity. The collection obtains